

## **FACA's Faculty Member Won Grant to Produce Documentary**

Late July this year, a faculty member from the Faculty of Applied and Creative Arts, Universiti Malaysia Sarawak was given a grant by Projek Dialog in conjunction with the inaugural Pesta Filem KITA which aims to feature local young talents with films that could possibly promote critical discourses among Malaysian society.

Out of a pool of more than 200 participants, 10 proposals were shortlisted for pitching to a panel of professional jury consisting of Dr. Norman Yusoff, Sharifah Amani and Nadira Ilana. From there, only five proposals made it to the final and are awarded financial supports of up to RM 9,000.

The result was announced in late July, and one of the grants were given to Yow Chong Lee who had then assembled his team consisting of four other passionate academics from the same faculty, namely Mohd. Affendi b. Azizan, Ang Tse Chwan, Aliffazraie b. Jali and Mohd. Zamhari b. Abol Hassan.

Since then, they had gone through both the pre-production and production stages and currently working on the post-production of their proposed documentary, "Living Alone on Bung Jagoi". This documentary is about an old Bijagoi woman, Nuyong Jema (69) who chooses to live alone on Bung Jagoi while other villagers had left to embrace modernity downhill.

The finished documentary will be premiered in Pesta Filem KITA on the September 17, 2016 (Saturday) in Cinematheque@FINAS Content Malaysia Pitching Centre, Kuala Lumpur. As of now, you can watch the teaser to their project.

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